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Oh, it's so scary

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Teen indicted on rape charge at SIUE housing

■ BY DANIELLE BELTON
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

A grand jury has indicted an East St. Louis high school senior on sexual assault charges for an alleged rape that took place in Woodland Hall while attending an educational program.

18-year-old, Christopher Hayden, of East St. Louis, was issued the indictment on July 16 for an attack on a 17-year-old girl also from East St. Louis.

Along with Hayden, a 16-year-old boy took part in the attack that allegedly occurred between 3:15 and 4 p.m. The 16-year-old was charged in juvenile court.

All three were students participating in the Upward Bound Program. This summer program, in its fourth year at SIUE, is a six-week camp that gives students lessons in math, science, English, foreign language and computers. The students live in the residence hall during the weekdays.

Circuit Judge Edward Ferguson ordered Hayden to be released on a \$50,000 recognizance bond. The juvenile has also been released.

Both of the accused have been removed from the camp. Hayden has been banned permanently from the campus.

Students for the program were chosen through SIUE's East St. Louis Center.

Jackie goes for her last run



Bob Fehringer/Alestle

Kersee, shown here with her husband and coach, Bob Kersee, get ready for her farewell competition on Saturday. The event featured other prominent track and field athletes, such as Olympian Gail Devers. Kersee took her final run with students from her alma mater, Lincoln High School, of her home town of East St. Louis here, at SIUE's Ralph Korte Stadium.

Both sides agree: no law would have stopped killings at capitol

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal law made it illegal for Russell E. Weston Jr. to possess a gun. But once he took one from a relative, activists on both sides of the gun control fight agree that no law could have stopped his shooting rampage.

Investigators say Weston shoved past a metal detector, fatally shot a police officer, then pressed on into the Capitol. By the time he was wounded and captured Friday, moments later another Capitol police officer was fatally shot and a young

woman tourist was wounded.

"I don't know that there's going to be much hue and cry for more gun control, because it does not appear to be the kind of situation where more gun laws would make a difference," Bob Walker, president of Handgun Control Inc., said.

National Rifle Association spokesman Bill Powers pointed out that the gunman broke several existing gun laws.

It is illegal for civilians to bring firearms into the District of Columbia, and it is illegal for

them to bring guns onto the Capitol grounds. And it is, of course, illegal to shoot people.

"How much more illegal can something be? Laws did not help here," Powers said.

Weston was once committed to a mental institution, and thus cannot legally have a firearm. But he apparently took the gun from a relative who did not report it to police.

Current handgun control laws focus on weapon sales. There is solid opposition from the gun lobby and little stomach

among opponents for laws that would seize handguns already in circulation.

Recent failed gun-control attempts in the Senate focused on keeping guns farther from the reach of children. Although bitter about the defeat of what they call common sense measures, gun-control advocates say they would not have saved any lives Friday.

"Even we in our zeal do not believe that gun control can stop every crime," Handgun Control spokeswoman Naomi Paiss said.

Weston was charged with killing federal police officers,

and other charges are pending. Authorities have given no motive for the shootings, but neighbors and Weston's father describe a troubled man with a grudge against the federal government.

The 41-year-old suspect has entered no plea, and his mental status remains an open question. But Weston fits the profile of an aggrieved loner — one of the most problematic criminals for authorities to deter, Robert Ressler, who developed criminal profiles during a 20-year FBI career, said. He is now a security consultant.

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Police Incidents

Ambulance Call

On July 26, 1998 at 10:19 a.m., officers and Edwardsville Ambulance responded to Cougar Village in reference to a sick person. The victim, a female student, reported that she was having severe stomach pains. She was transported to Anderson Hospital.

Arrest

On July 26, 1998 at 12:39 a.m., officers stopped a vehicle for disobeying a traffic control sign. Jandi Cox, age 19, and Dameenda Cox, age 21, both of St. Louis, were arrested for unlawful possession of cannabis. Jandi Cox received a verbal warning for disobeying a traffic control sign and her vehicle was towed by Cross Towing.

Fire Department Call

On July 21, 1998 at 6:41 p.m., officers and Edwardsville Fire Department responded to the Olympic Stadium in reference to a gas leak. Illinois Power also arrived on the scene. The gas leak was secured.

Telephone Harassment

On July 22, 1998 at 2:39 a.m., officers responded to Cougar Village Apartments in reference to a telephone harassment. A female student reported that an unknown subject has called her twice and hung up. Police are continuing their investigation.

Theft Under \$300

On July 24, 1998 at 2:50 p.m., officers responded to Cougar Village in reference to a theft. A female student reported that someone stole a blank check from her apartment. Police are continuing their investigation.

Traffic Accident

On July 26, 1998 at 5:29 a.m., officers responded to South University Drive in reference to an accident. A vehicle, driven by Hussein Nesimovic was traveling northbound in the inside lane. The driver's car then left the roadway on the west side of the road, lost control and struck a guard rail on the east side on the road. Nesimovic's vehicle was towed by Cross Towing, and he was cited for failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident.

Ryan rolls out his environmental plan, criticizes opponent Poshard's vote against Clean Air Act

CHICAGO (AP) — George Ryan, the Republican candidate for Illinois governor, unveils his environmental protection plan, attacks his opponent for voting against the Clean Air Act and differs with those who might suggest his TV ads were too negative.

It was a busy weekend in the gubernatorial race.

Ryan said Saturday the cornerstone of his environmental plan was a \$40 million annual bond program so the state can buy land and set it aside for open spaces, foot and bike trails and other recreational uses.

Illinois ranks 48th among states in the amount of public land set aside for its citizens, with less than 5 percent designated for that purpose, Ryan said.

His proposals also call for completion of a trail linking Lake Michigan with the Mississippi River, continued free admission to state parks, conserving several nature areas around Illinois and working with Congress to crack down on water and air polluters.

"I will always consider the

impact of environmental policy on business," Ryan said at a news conference at the Shedd Aquarium with the stunning Chicago skyline as a backdrop. "But I believe our state can protect the economic well-being of industry and the health and well-being of our people by coming up with common sense solutions based on sound science."

Ryan said he didn't think the gubernatorial campaign had turned nasty with negative ads clogging the airways.

"I would hope we can continue to discuss the issues," he said. "My ads so far have been on Glenn Poshard's voting record."

The ads have attacked Poshard's opposition to some gun control measures. The congressman has countered with a commercial questioning how Ryan's brother got a state contract for electronically monitoring convicts confined to their homes.

On Saturday, Ryan accused Poshard of protecting "narrow

special interests" when the congressman voted against re-establishing the federal Clean Air Act in 1990.

But Poshard said the law cost his Southern Illinois congressional district 20,000 coal mining jobs.

"If George Ryan thinks 20,000 working families are a narrow special interest, he clearly has been in government too long," Poshard said in a statement Friday.

He said former U.S. Sens. Paul Simon and Alan Dixon also had voted against the Clean Air Act to protect jobs.

Poshard said he had worked in Congress to protect natural habitats. He says opposition to that work has come mainly from the GOP.

Ryan on Saturday disputed the 20,000-job figure and said Poshard was too parochial in his Clean Air Act vote.

"You have to be more aware of the citizens that only those in your own district. Others have to breathe the air, too," he said.

LAW

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"Gun control is strictly a political thing. It has no bearing on people like this," Ressler said.

"If he didn't do it with a gun, he could have done it with a knife or a bomb. You can't legislate ... the conduct of the mentally ill."

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It wasn't fair then, and still it isn't fair now



Danielle Belton

This is the last issue for the Summer and I don't know what to write.

It happens.

Not that there still aren't issues burning inside of me. Even as a child, my favorite thing to say was, "It's not fair." Nothing is ever fair. I said it a lot at nine years; I still say it, although not in that exact wording at 20. I kind of miss the issues that weren't fair at five as opposed to the issues that aren't fair now.

At 9, it wasn't fair that I couldn't leave my backyard, not even to go into the front yard.

At 20, it isn't fair that crack laws and cocaine laws are written differently when they are both derived from the same drug, and people act as if the law isn't race-related.

At 9, it wasn't fair that my oldest sister, Denise, got to have her own room and I had to share a room with the "demon spawn," my little sister, Deidre.

At 20, it isn't fair that people use O.J. Simpson and claim he somehow caused the gap between the races to grow wider. Joan Rivers even goes as far as the blame Johnnie Cochran for the current state of race relations in the this country. The problems this country have always been there, the trial just made them harder to ignore than usual.

At 9, it wasn't fair that I could have that Barbie Doll Dreamhouse. Everyone else got Barbie's plastic pink and white mansion. I got a wooden doll house that was too short so Malibu Barbie couldn't stand up in it. She sat down a lot.

At 20, it isn't fair that people's views of society are distorted by television. It's bad enough outside the western hemisphere that no one's heard of a black or hispanic American, and think Americans are rich, look like David Hasselhof and drive Cadillacs. But many Americans have the same distorted views about crime, sex and government because of network news programs. If you only watched the local news, you'd think crime in St. Louis was at an all time high instead of a low.

At 9, it wasn't fair that I had to go to my room. Was it my fault that I had the meanest mother ever? I wanted a Happy Meal. I never got a Happy Meal. I always got a hamburger and had to split the fries with my sisters. So I started arguing with her in the car. Did I have to get sent to my room for her meanness?

At 20, it isn't fair there is still a glass ceiling, although my classmates and I plan to smash a few.

At 9, it wasn't fair that I never went over to my best friend's house. I only had one friend and I went over her house about eight times out of our whole friendship. Oh, well, it didn't last past fourth grade anyway.

At 20, it isn't fair that unless you're a WASP (for those that don't know, that stands for white, anglo-saxon, protestant), it's pretty hard to become president of the United States. Most people know that there hasn't been a black or woman president, but forget there was only one Catholic, no Italians, few Irish or people that would have been decedents of immigrants from the 1920s through the second world war. What does this mean, I wonder? Perhaps, it's some leftover McCarthyism hysteria against immigrants that still is floating around in the 1990s?

But that's just a few points to hold you over until fall.

Danielle Belton
Editor In Chief

Letters to the editor

Return of the Jedi? Bringing back the Cold war

Star Wars is back. Though the once-flaming arguments for and against an anti-missile shield faded with the Cold War, a new version of the defense debate is back.

Russia and China are not considered the enemies they were a decade ago, but they are suspected suppliers of missile-building goods. Thus, this nation has to figure out how to neutralize any threat that could arise if nations such as North Korea or Iraq build and aim missiles at the United States.

At this point, the Clinton administration's schedule for designing and testing an anti-missile system, then deciding whether to deploy it, looks sensible. The 1996 White House agreement with Congress was to test a national defense by 2000 and, if the threat warrants, deploy by 2003.

Though an anti-missile system is pricey and not guaranteed to stop incoming rockets, deployment of a limited system, at least, could make more sense against smaller arsenals than it did against the Soviet Union's.

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Who Said It?/
What Movie?

**"I'll torture you
so slowly; you'll
think it's a
career."**

(Hint: Summer flop)
Answer in the Fall

Last week's answer: Chris Elliott in
"Cabin Boy"

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RAVANTS & RAVES



■ BY COREY STULCE
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Gee, will I be the lucky bastard out of the 45 gagillion who bought Power Ball tickets this week? The eight ball says, "Not bloody likely."

Yeah, but I bought a ticket anyway.

I guess a quarter of a billion dollars would be nice to win, though. Well, scratch that. It's probably more like \$120 million or so. Uncle Sammy gets his cut. I can only guess the reason the lottery winnings have gotten this high is because somebody up there on Capital Hill needed a quick \$100 million for a study on the mating habits of former stars of "Happy Days."

I shouldn't be allowed to think about such things as being outrageously rich, because my mind starts to work overtime and makes a burning rubber smell. I think about all the things I would waste money for the first few minutes, then I start thinking about all the hassles that would go along with it:

Having to hire bodyguards because I know people would want me dead.

Having to take calls from distant family and forgotten friends who want to "catch up."

Appearing on silly talk shows and having to answer that all important question, "What are you going to do with all that money?" Like anyone ever tells the truth. "I'm going to give a lot of it to charity." No, no, no! It's more like, "I'm going to roll around in hundreds nude. I'm going to buy a poor village in a third world country and force the villagers to perform in off-off-off-Broadway productions of 'Kiss Me Kate.' I'm going to pay Mel Torme to follow me around and provide my personal theme music." More or less, I'm going to be a loathsome bastard.

I can't stand it when some redneck from Podunk wins a mint and still lives like trash. Come on, Jed, pack up the truck and move to Beverly, man! No, he still delivers mail every day, just for the heck of it.

I would pay someone to carry on my conversations for me. Of course, that's why I'll never win.

This is the last Alestle of the summer. Boo hoo, I know. So to hold you over for the next few weeks, here are the...

TOP 10

*ways to keep from
going insane in the
last weeks of summer*

■ BY COREY STULCE
LIFESTYLE EDITOR

With the loving advice of the Lifestyle section gone for the remainder of the summer, what's a sad and depraved college student to do?

Well, your old pal is here to console you and save you from countless nights watching "Smokey and the Bandit" while drinking warm Pabst Blue Ribbon. Here are ten ways to kill off the longest month of the year. By the way, substitute any one of these ten for getting your books and parking stickers early. Trust me, you won't miss the wait in the old cattle walk.

1: Go and buy a Slurpee from 7-11. Normally I try not to

blatantly endorse products, but when one is sent from the heavens, as is this frosty treat is, I cannot resist. Be daring, get a giant one and mix all the flavors. (Tip: different 7-11 locations have different flavors. Sample them all, except for Burnt Toenail Lime.) The Slurpee is the cure-all and provides an erotic orgasmal brain freeze when sucked down quickly.

2: Check out the "Angels from the Vatican" display at the art museum before they fly away. This way you can always have something to talk about on that first day when your hyper history teacher wants to hear about your summer vacation.

3: Go and see the sequel of the year, "Halloween: H20." It



might be bad, but a Jamie Lee Curtis blood-curdling scream is almost guaranteed. Besides, aren't the "Halloween" movies a helluva lot more fun than "Friday the 13ths?" I'm sure your yearly quota of disemboweled teens will also be fulfilled.

4: Shave your head. Yeah, really, do it. It's been a very hot summer, and in the '90s there's a better chance that you won't be accused of being a skinhead. Besides, it will grow back. You can even make a game of it. Bet your friends you won't do it, and make some quick do-re-mi.

5: If you're stuck on campus, I hear there's a Renaissance Festival at the Cougar Village Recreational Facility this weekend. Student tickets are only \$5, and that will gain you entrance to armored combat, strolling minstrels, fortune telling and more. More fun than a gypsy caravan and less chance of getting your baby stolen.

6: On August 2, the last four remaining Spice Girls will grace St. Louis with their presence. Sure the fun and truly tempting one is gone, but perhaps Scary Spice will get real bitchy and start a cat fight with Posh. That and the chance to hang out with 18,000 screaming preteens in Hanson T-shirts sounds like a

happening scene.

7: For a more cultural experience, visit the Madison County Historical Museum's exhibit, "A Look Back at the World Wars." It runs through the end of the month and features all that World War I and II stuff your crazy grandfather has been rambling on about for decades. It's free and probably air-conditioned.

8: For those looking for an all-day high, funk on down to the Smokin' Grooves '98 Tour. This year's dope festivities include Busta Rhymes and the reunion of Public Enemy. Say hello to Flav for me.

9: If your rear is already adhered to the couch cushion, stay in and watch new episodes of "Viva Variety" and "South Park" on Comedy Central. For those who don't have Comedy Central, pitch a tent in your local cable distributors office until they install it.

10: Finally, for that last bit of free love and fun before the books get cracked, go to a late show of the new Miramax flick "54," the pseudo-documentary about the famous '70s night spot. Mike Meyers in a bad wig and nose is worth the \$7.50. Stay for the disco tunes you love to hate or hate to love. Take your pick, baby.



photo: Bob Fehringier

Find true love at the Renaissance festival this weekend.



News from the foul line

By Todd Spann

JJK

Jackie Joyner-Kersee makes the headlines all across America with her final competition, and SIUE is the home for it all.

There hasn't been anything this big here since "The Giant" from WCW went to SIUE.

Cubbies

The Cubs are in the middle of a pennant race and the only place you can find them is on CLTV, a cable station in Chicago.

More than a third of the 50 Cub games remaining are on CLTV rather than WGN.

A deal is probably in the making for WGN to grab some more of the remaining games.

But why mess with a good thing? The Cubs are winning aren't they?

Boomerang

If you want to do something fascinating, I suggest staring down a squirrel.

But if you want to see something completely different, go watch the 1998 World Boomerang Championships held at SIUE soccer fields.

You throw it, it comes back. You throw it, it comes back.

Sounds like the Rams: you throw it, it comes back.

SAMMY

Sammy Sosa finally hit his first grand slam of his career. After a 246 homerun drought, Sammy finally hit one Tuesday night.

He was the player with the most homeruns who hadn't hit a grand slam.

But before this year, Sammy was one of the most overrated players.

US Open: Track and Field's Farewell to JJK

SIUE bids Jackie farewell



Bob Fehringer/Alestle

Jackie Joyner-Kersee prepares for her last competition Saturday night at SIUE's Ralph Korte Stadium

Not a scripted ending, but a triumphant one

■ TODD SPANN
SPORTS EDITOR

Baseball great Ted Williams ended his illustrious career by hitting a homerun in his last at bat.

Saturday, Jackie Joyner-Kersee may not have hit a "homerun" in her long jump competition, but she did leave SIUE's Ralph Korte Stadium triumphantly.

Her sixth place finish was the last thing the 9,100 spectators on hand had to give Joyner-Kersee a fond farewell.

But coming off an exhausting victory in the Goodwill Games heptathlon in New York the weekend before, Joyner-Kersee settled for ending her career with grace, style and tears.

"I just wanted to walk away knowing I did my best. I really didn't want it to end but I told myself 'Jackie, you can't run forever,'" Joyner-Kersee said emotionally Saturday night.

Joyner-Kersee's last "homerun" try landed her 20-11 1/2. Almost four feet shy of her all-time best.

"It wasn't meant to be," Joyner-Kersee said about her long jump competition.

But that didn't stop spectators from cheering and cameramen from snapping pictures. *The U.S. Open: Track and Field's Farewell to JJK* was meant to celebrate a career, not just the one night.

And with tears in her eyes she was happy she was done with her track and field career.

"I'm glad," Joyner-Kersee said. "I have no regrets."

And regrets she shouldn't:

◆ She won six Olympic medals, including golds in the heptathlon in 1988 and 1992 and the long jump in 1988.

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Above all, Joyner-Kersee is a class act to follow

■ TODD SPANN
SPORTS EDITOR

One of the most frequent statements made about Jackie Joyner-Kersee is how much of a wonderful person she is.

"This is Jackie's night, and I will gladly be second string to her," Reggie Torian said after he won the 110-meter hurdles. "She is one of the greatest who has ever competed."

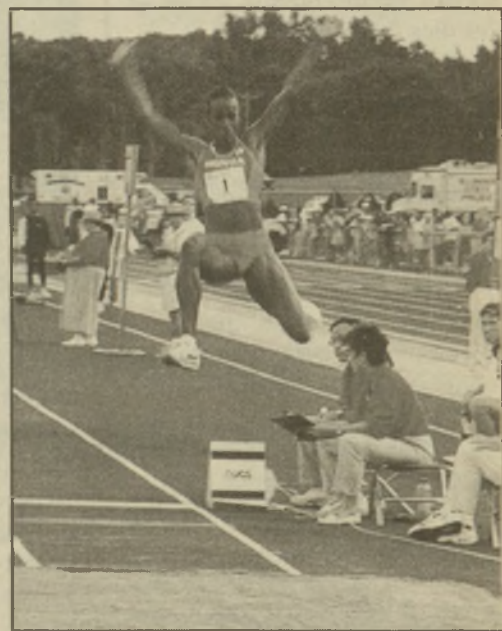
Friend and competitor Gail Devers said, "She lives as an example of a caring selfless person."

Husband Bob Kersee and Jackie plan to help rebuild East St. Louis, and hope to bring a track and field event to this area each year.

"We are going to be working hard in this area," Kersee said. "We want to bring a track meet here year after year. So [Jackie] might be retiring but she is never going to quit."

Joyner-Kersee will always be admired by the media, her competitors and fans for the things she does on and off the field.

The St. Louis area can only benefit by having her around full-time.



Baseball

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The closer Mark McGwire gets to the single-season home run record, the more valuable the slugger's autograph on bats, balls and baseball cards is becoming — and the more frequently forgeries are appearing in stores across the country.

Phony McGwire autographs have turned up in at least five places in the past month. At two of them, stores in Denver and St. Louis, McGwire pointed the forgeries out to store employees himself, said McGwire's business agent, Jim Milner.

"I have heard there may be a ton of this stuff out there," Milner said. "[McGwire] wants people to know that if they spend money on this stuff, it's bogus."

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Anaheim Angels closer Troy Percival, who leads the AL with 29 saves, was taken to a hospital Saturday after complaining of dizziness for the third time in three days.

Percival saw a neurologist at St. Luke's Hospital, the Angels said, but results of the examination were not immediately available. Anaheim manager Terry Collins said he did not know if Percival would be hospitalized overnight.

Collins said Percival first complained of dizziness Thursday, both before and after pitching against Minnesota for his 29th save. He was taken to the hospital shortly after arriving at Kauffman Stadium on Saturday.



JJK We Love You

Bob Fehringer/Alestle

9,100 spectators gathered in SIUE's Ralph Korte Stadium Saturday night to pay tribute to one of the greatest female athletes the world as ever seen. The event was billed The US Open: Track and Fields Farewell to Jackie Joyner-Kersey. The signs fans are holding up read "JJK We love you."

JJK

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◆ She won four world championship medals, all gold, in the heptathlon in 1987 and 1993 and in the long jump in 1987 and 1991.

◆ She set the world record in the heptathlon four times between 1986 and 1988, and still owns the record with 7,291 points in Seoul Olympics.

◆ She set the world record in the long jump in 1987, and still has the American record of 24-7, set twice in 1994.

◆ She tied the American record in the 100-meter hurdles in 1988, and set the world indoor record in the 55-meter hurdles twice in 1989.

◆ She has the sixth highest heptathlon scores in history, and is one of two athletes to surpass 7,000 points.

From the things listed above, it is understandable why Joyner-Kersey should be honored.

After Joyner-Kersey finished making her last jump, a ceremony was held to congratulate and honor her.

Mayor Gordan Bush of East St. Louis proclaimed Saturday as Jackie Joyner-Kersey Day.

SIUE gave her a plaque and a painting of herself.

USA Track and Field retired a No. 7 uniform in her name, signifying the seven events of the heptathlon.

The family of retired star Carl Lewis gave her a \$5,000 check for her foundation, plus a tennis racket, tennis balls and tennis outfit to give her something to do with her newfound spare time.

The St. Louis sports Commission presented her with a briefcase for the work she will be doing in the future and a basketball, since she helped bring the NCAA tournament to St. Louis.

Athletes enjoy consecutive U.S. events

■ TODD SPANN
SPORTS EDITOR



Bob Fehringer/Alestle

Kimberly Becker of the USA attempts the pole vault Saturday night at the US Open.

Throughout a normal track and field season, a world class athlete will compete in events all over the globe, and consecutive events usually are separated by a big body of water.

But the travel between the Goodwill Games and the Farewell to JJK have been easy to handle for some athletes who have made the trip.

"It's very nice. I wish we could do this all the time," USA sprinter Inger Miller said after her win in the 100-meter dash Saturday night. "We get more rest and we eat good."

Traveling across the world can take it's toll on an athlete, and when U.S. athletes have the opportunity to stay in their country, they enjoy it.

"I wish they would start a track and field circuit in the U.S." 400-meter hurdler Brian Bronson said. "It gives us a chance to rest."

In the Numbers

9,100

Number of fans who saw Joyner-Kersey compete in her final event Saturday night.

7,291

Number of points Joyner-Kersey accumulated in the 1988 Olympic heptathlon, in which she blew away her opponents for the gold medal.

4

Number of Olympic games Joyner-Kersey participated in and won medals.

2

Number of sports Joyner-Kersey made All-America in at UCLA (Basketball and track).

1981

The year in which Joyner-Kersey competed in her first heptathlon. She recorded 5,316 points.

6

Number of medals won in Olympic competition, including golds in the 1988 and 1992 heptathlon, and the 1992 long jump.



Bob Fehringer/Alestle

Jackie Joyner-Kersey prepares with her trainers for her final competition, the long jump.

The night was topped off by running an Olympic torch around the track with the Lincoln High School track team.

The world will remember Joyner-Kersey as a fighter and last week at the Goodwill Games is a prime example.

She hadn't participated in the heptathlon in over two years and despite what critics said, she gutted through it.

She won her fourth consecutive Goodwill Games gold medal with 6,502 points, the highest score in the world this year.

She may be retiring but she will never quit.

She said, "I'm a fighter."

	AVG	R	HR	RBI
Adams	.300	18	6	8
Adams	.292	20	7	9
Adams	.279	20	8	8
Adams	.279	41	14	21
Adams	.277	29	10	1
Adams	.273	42	15	2

The Numbers

INNINGS PITCHED	
Maddux, Atl	7
Stottlemire, StL	7
Chilling, Phi	7

Baseball

National League Schedule	American League Schedule
Wednesday, July 15 6:05pm Atlanta, Smoltz (9-2, 3.20) at Cincinnati, Reyes (0-4, 4.71) 6:05pm San Francisco, Darwin (6-8, 4.67) at Montreal, Hermanson (7-9, 3.67) 6:35pm Los Angeles, Mlicki (5-4, 4.89) at Philadelphia, Loewer (4-3, 7.20) 6:40pm San Diego, Hamilton (9-9, 4.62) at NY Mets, Leiter (10-4, 1.97) 7:05pm Florida, Larkin (2-5, 7.06) at Houston, Schourek (6-6, 4.14) 7:10pm Milwaukee, Woodard (7-5, 3.32) at St. Louis, Stottlemire (9-9, 3.51) 8:05pm Pittsburgh, Peters (4-8, 4.01) at Colorado, Kile (7-12, 5.23) 9:05pm Chicago Cubs, Wengert (0-0, 5.04) at Arizona, Telemaco (6-8, 3.22) Thursday, July 16 11:35pm Atlanta, Neagle (10-9, 3.60) at Cincinnati, Parrish (1-1, 4.40) 12:35pm Florida, Hernandez (8-7, 4.42) at Houston, Reynolds (12-6, 3.63) 6:05pm San Francisco, Gardner (8-4, 4.88) at Montreal, Thurman (1-0, 2.84) 6:35pm Chicago Cubs, Tapani (12-6, 4.65) at Arizona, Daal (4-5, 3.14) 6:35pm Los Angeles, Park (9-5, 4.07) at Philadelphia, Beech (3-6, 5.00) 6:40pm San Diego, Hitchcock (4-4, 4.37) at NY Mets, Jones (7-6, 3.93) 7:10pm Milwaukee, Karl (8-4, 3.87) at St. Louis, Morris (1-1, 2.08)	Wednesday, July 15 6:05pm Baltimore, Mussina (8-5, 3.69) at Detroit, Castillo (3-6, 7.70) 6:05pm Texas, Oliver (5-7, 6.77) at Toronto, Carpenter (6-4, 4.71) 7:05pm Tampa Bay, Saunders (2-9, 4.20) at Chi. White Sox, Parque (2-3, 5.26) 7:05pm Minnesota, Milton (5-7, 4.62) at Kansas City, Pichardo (5-7, 5.25) 9:35pm Yankees, Hernandez (5-2, 2.43) at Anaheim, Sparks (3-2, 4.81) 9:35pm Boston, Wasdin (4-3, 5.15) at Oakland, Oquist (6-7, 5.70) 9:35pm Cleveland, Wright (9-6, 4.20) at Seattle, Swift (9-6, 5.57) Thursday, July 16 12:05pm Baltimore, Drabek (6-9, 7.06) at Detroit, Thompson (9-8, 3.67) 1:05pm Minnesota, Serafini (4-3, 4.95) at Kansas City, Belcher (9-9, 4.37) 2:15pm Boston, Avery (7-3, 5.18) at Oakland, Rogers (10-4, 2.90) 6:05pm Texas, Loaiza (6-6, 4.72) at Toronto, Guzman (5-12, 4.66) 9:05pm NY, Pettitte (13-6, 3.70) at Anaheim, Finley (8-5, 3.13) 9:05pm Cleveland, Burba (10-8, 3.69) at Seattle, Fassero (10-6, 3.76) Homerun watch Through Monday, July 27 Mark McGwire 44 Sammy Sosa 40 Ken Griffey Jr. 40

Football

Rams schedule
Preseason August 8 Denver 7 pm 15 at San Diego 10 pm 22 Dallas 7 pm 28 at KC 7 pm Regular season September 6 New Orleans noon 13 Minnesota noon 20 at Buffalo noon 27 Arizona noon October 4 open 11 NY Jets 3:15 18 at Miami 3:15 25 San Francisco noon November 1 at Atlanta noon 8 at Chicago noon 15 at New Orleans noon 22 Carolina 3:05 29 Atlanta noon December 3 at Philadelphia 7:20 13 New England noon 20 at Carolina noon 27 at San Fran 3:05

Transactions

BASEBALL
Baltimore Orioles: Recalled pitcher Jimmy Key from his rehabilitation assignment and activated him from the 15-day disabled list; gave pitcher Norm Charlton his unconditional release; agreed to terms with pitcher Ben Knapp, their first of two 1998 second-round draft picks.
Rochester Red Wings (International League/AAA): Placed outfielder Ricky Otero on the disabled list with a left knee sprain; added outfielder Eugene Kingsale to the roster from Bowie of the Eastern League.

added pitcher Everett Stull to the roster.

Somerset Patriots (Atlantic League/Independent): Released pitcher Marco Rivera; acquired pitcher Carlos Pulido from the Nashua Pride for future considerations.

BASKETBALL
American Basketball League: Named Jonathan Matthews general manager of the Philadelphia Rage.

FOOTBALL
New Orleans Saints: Signed defensive tackle Julian Pittman, their second 1998 fourth-round draft pick, to a three-year contract.
San Francisco 49ers: Agreed to terms with cornerback R.W. McQuarters, their 1998 first-round draft pick.
Arizona Rattlers (Arena): Activated defensive specialist Carlos Brooks and fullback/linebackers Jason Pohopek and Terrance Samuels; placed defensive specialist Shawn Parnell on injured reserve.

HOCKEY
New Jersey Devils: Named Slava Fetisov assistant coach and signed him to a three-year contract.
New York Rangers: Agreed to terms with defenseman Jan Mertzig.
Philadelphia Flyers: Signed defenseman Mark Eaton to a three-year contract.
Phoenix Coyotes: Promoted Laurence Gilman to director of hockey operations.
Tampa Bay Lightning: Entered into a working agreement with Chesapeake of the East Coast Hockey League.

USA Hockey: Granted national coach Jeff Jackson a one-year contract extension.

SOCCER
Major League Soccer: Fined Miami Fusion midfielder Carlos Valderrama \$10,000 for failure to participate in team training sessions.
Pensacola Flyers (EISL): Traded forward Randy Martin to the Tallahassee Scorpions for midfielder Patrick Crawford.
Tallahassee Scorpions (EISL): Traded midfielder Billy Rienhardt to Mississippi for defender Scott Harvatin and midfielder Michael Kim; placed midfielder Manny Catano and forward Vinny Darnell on season-ending injury reserve.

COLLEGE
Appalachian State: Named Colin Crothers women's tennis coach.
Arizona State: Named Sara Griffin assistant softball coach.
Cal Irvine: Named Paul Smolinski men's golf coach.
Catawba: Named Craig Turnbull men's soccer coach.
Clemson: Promoted Ray Leone to associate head women's soccer coach.
Cornell: Named Jeremy Kniffin assistant director of athletic communications and Marjorie Adams athletic communications intern.
Oklahoma City: Named Tony Sellars sports information director.
Vermont: Announced the resignation of women's gymnastics coach John Court.
Winthrop: Announced men's basketball guard Derrick Knox is transferring from Marshall.



Mike Dickson lets his boomerang fly in the 1998 World Boomerang Championships held at SIUE soccer fields Monday morning.

Todd Spann/Alestle

1998 World Boomerang Championship lands at SIUE

■ TODD SPANN
SPORTS EDITOR

SIUE is on top of the World. All eyes were on Jackie Joyner-Kersey's farewell event last weekend, and now SIUE is hosting the World Boomerang Championships. "It's awesome," John Flynn of the USA team said Monday, during the first day of competition. Every two years the boomerang championship is held, and a new location is picked. In 1996, New Zealand had the competition, and in 1994 Germany held it. Australia will be the site of the 2000 championship. And this year St. Louis was picked. "[SIUE] offered two things," organizer Tom Fitzgerald said. "An

open field and dorms. That combination is hard to find. Most universities don't have the space, and as you can see we use up a lot." The championship will be going on all week at the soccer fields outside Ralph Korte Stadium. There will be seven team events going on through the week, and then on Friday and Saturday individual events are held. Events range from accuracy tests to trick catch tests. Most of the action starts at 9 a.m. during the boomerang championships, and goes throughout the day with a break for lunch. Sunday's action begins at 11 a.m. with the International Boomerang Festival, which includes "team terror" round and several other events.

The articles on this and the following pages as well as nearly all of the photographs were done by the students of SIUE's first summer journalism camp. We hope you enjoy our efforts.

There is a first for everything

by Kurt Thomas



Photo by Jennifer Wilson of Brighton.

Mike Montgomery, a Mass Communications instructor at SIUE, edits a story written by a journalism camper. This is the first time that Journalism Camp has been offered on the campus of SIUE. Fourteen area high school journalists participated in the camp.

Monday, July 20, marked the first day of the SIUE Summer Journalism Camp. The class met from 9 a.m. to noon from July 20 to July 31.

Mike Montgomery, an SIUE Mass Communication instructor, and Annice Brave, an Alton High School journalism teacher, co-taught the class of 14 future reporters, photographers and broadcast journalists. The class is writing for the Alestle, the campus newspaper, and the Edwardsville Intelligencer.

Montgomery, 52, has been in news reporting for more than 20 years and a college instructor for four years. Montgomery wants to push kids toward journalism and the media so they can inform people all over the world about news and make this country a better place.

Montgomery said, "I really believe in the First Amendment, and if we can get people to believe in truth, justice, and the American Way, we can make this country a lot better."

Annice Brave, 46, a teacher for 12 years, suggested to Montgomery that SIUE needed a summer journalism camp when he was a guest lecturer for her class. Brave, who has her undergraduate degree in Mass Communications and worked in public relations before she started teaching, said the camp is "a fun way to introduce kids into journalism."

Alison Dreith, 17, from Alton High, said, "It's a good experience that will help students get their foot in the door to other journalism programs."

Mark Wonnacott, 13, from Belleville, expressed his opinion about the journalism program. "It's been a lot of fun. It's not just work, it's work you want to do."

Dr. Ralph Donald, the chair of the Mass Communications Department, said he believes such camps should be conducted by universities. "One of the most important things a department like us should do is practice in outreach."

HUMOR ON CAMPUS

by Kurt Thomas

During the first week of the SIUE Summer Journalism Camp, I had a chance to talk with the students and instructors. Some of the things that I heard were surprising, and some were quite funny.

One student, who obviously likes politics and government, expressed this observation:

If "con" is the opposite of "pro," does that mean that Congress is the opposite of progress?

We also discussed good English, which can be confusing.

Why do we drive on a parkway and park in a driveway?

How come cargo goes by ship and a shipment goes by truck?

How can a slim chance and a fat chance be the same thing?

Why do we call them apartments when they are all stuck together?

During our discussion on photography, the following joke came up about color:

If you choke a Smurf, what color will it turn?

We also got into some wild discussions.

One student posed the following question:

If your knees were bent the other way, what would a chair look like?

We looked at current events, and there were lots of articles on divorces and marriage problems. A student brought up this joke about matrimony:

Marriage is the only "war" where you sleep with the "enemy."

WASHINGTON (OPINION)

by A.J. Harshbarger

When you're a little kid, you really don't care what goes on in Washington or how the people there conduct their business. You sometimes watched the news with your parents, not quite understanding what they are talking about.

But now, as aspiring young adults, we learn that everything done in Washington affects us. From the changes in the minimum wage to the tax hikes, it all affects us. So you would think that there would be something else going on besides this whole Lewinski - Whitewater thing. Is this the only thing our nation's journalists can find to cover? Who really gives a care if President Clinton had an affair with this woman? Nobody, at least not most of the nation's population.

The only ones who care are the Republicans looking to dig up dirt on the president. If the president did have an affair, will that change the way he governs our great democracy? Probably not. What people do in their personal lives has nothing to do with what they do for a living. Everyone knows that presidents have had mistresses and affairs with other women behind their wives' backs. I'm not saying it's right, but it's to be expected.

You cannot honestly think that the president is completely innocent. If he obstructed justice and participated in a land deal gone bad, then he should be investigated by the Senate Judiciary Committee. But we all must realize, that his term will be ending in the year 2000. If the Kenneth Starr grand jury goes at the pace it has been going over the past couple of months, we won't know anything for a long time.

So instead of worry about the president's booty calls, we should be worrying about the United States expanding trade with China or reducing spending on less important items. Let's just leave the personal life of such highly respected public figures like the president alone and get on with the real news of the world.

THEATER

by A.J. Harshbarger and Jennifer Wilson

SIUE's theater department is rolling with enthusiasm after just completing the summer musicals, "The Music Man" and "Brigadoon." The productions received good reviews from papers such as the Alton Telegraph and the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Chairman of theater operations, W. Craven Mackie said he is proud of the performers and excited about the upcoming productions.

"What drives people to act is that you are able to create characters and really make them come alive," Mackie explained about his students' interest in the theater. "Here, all of the students get an opportunity to act."

Anyone can act in a theatrical performance at SIUE. Mackie said that one of every five performers is not a theater major. For that matter, actors don't even have to be students.

With so many opportunities in the University Theater, anyone can try out for the upcoming performances this school year. In October, the serious comedic Broadway play, "Blue Window," will be on the main stage, followed by "Dance in Concert '98" in November. In February, the department will be showing "Italian American Reconciliation." Shakespeare's "Hamlet" will be featured in April.

"We've done some outstanding Shakespeare productions over the years," Mackie said. The theater department will look into carrying that streak through next year, he said.

In this age of Hollywood productions and the small - screen success of many actors, some people may question the future of American theater.

According to Mackie, stage performances will be around for a long time. "I think there is a lot of interest in [the theater]," he said. "There are still 300 Broadway theaters, plus another 200 off-Broadway theaters just in New York City."

Broadway refers to New York's Broadway, where some of the world's finest actors perform.

To be an actor or an actress, it takes talent, determination and respect for those who have come before. Mackie said, "It opens a world of creativity. There is no end to the challenge."



Photo by: Greg Conroy, News Service

Look At All The Enthusiasm

Melanie Bauer, left, gives David Posser a slap in the face during a performance of "Shadow Box." It was presented during February 1998.

CAMPERS BEAT THE HEAT

by Katie Calcaterra, Kristen Ryrie, Catharine McNelly



Photo by: Katie Calcaterra

The cross country campers sprint toward success at SIUE. The camp was held from July 20 to July 23 at the Ralph Korte Stadium.

Each year SIUE offers a variety of summer camps, from nursing to Nike Sports camps.

Gregory Conroy, assistant director of public affairs at SIUE, reported that this summer's Varsity Basketball Camp had a record attendance of more than 200 participants, making it possibly the most attended camp this summer. The newest program this summer was Journalism Camp offered by Michael Montgomery and Annice Brave.

Journalism camper Kurt Thomas, 16, of Edwardsville, reported that the heat "made it miserable to go outside and do anything." All week, campers have had to endure over 95-degree temperatures. "I've got a cold from being in the air conditioning all day. Now I can't stop blowing my nose," 17-year-old Alison Dreith, of

Alton, said.

Some campers have had the advantages of being in the air conditioning all day while attending camps such as nursing, journalism and art workshops. Other camps such as the Volleyball Individual Skills Camp and the Cross Country Individual and Team Camps had to endure the heat.

Volleyball Individual Skills Camp

From July 20 through 22, from 9 to 11:30 a.m., Sandy Montgomery, SIUE head volleyball coach, taught the Volleyball Individual Skills Camp. "We had 33 kids, grades 6 through 12," Montgomery reported.

Sarah Beck, 11, from Grantfork Elementary said, "It was fun and I learned a lot. I learned how to spike hard."

Claire Alyea, 11, from Saint

Ambrose said, "They taught us many moves, how to work on skills and improve them. It was lots of fun." Sandy Montgomery will be holding a Volleyball Team Camp from July 29 through the 31.

Cross Country Individual And Team Camp

Darryl Frerker, head Track and Field coach at SIUE, along with assistant coach Kenny Hammel, held the Cross Country Individual and Team Camp July 20 through 24 from 7 to 9 a.m. There were 18 runners attending the camp, and they mostly ran on campus trails and up hills. Frerker mostly focused on running form and motivation. He also talked about setting goals, hydration, resisting drugs and alcohol, weight lifting and eligibility.

Amy Semith, 16, of Edwardsville said, "I thought it was good. It helped me get out and get my miles back."

Amy has been running both track and cross country at Edwardsville since her freshman year. She will be a senior this coming school year.

Dustin Talleur, 16, of Highland said, "It made me get out and start to run my miles. It made the summer interesting."

Dustin is the number one runner at his school. He has been involved since seventh grade in both cross country and track. He will also be a senior.

Frerker focused on running form and motivation. Frerker said, "It wasn't too hot for me because I wasn't the one doing the running. But the campers were pretty hot the first three

days of camp."

Odyssey Camp

Virginia Bryan, director of the office of science and mathematics, held the Odyssey Camps on June 15-26 and on July 6-17. There were two sessions for campers age 7-15. Both sessions focused on general and life science. Campers dissected owl pellets, made slime and appeared on television. Also, Bryan gave a program on chemistry. For the advanced students, there were levels three and four. Level three focused on life science, bending glass, analysis and chemistry. Level four concentrated on aerodynamics, by making and shooting off rockets. The heat did not affect the campers because the last day of the camps was July 17, before the record heat arrived.

Nurse Camp

Lorraine Williams, assistant professor of nursing and director

of Project GAIN, Getting Active in Nursing, directed the Nurse Camp June 8-July 17. There were 32 students in four levels. This unique program is for students interested in a career in nursing. Students volunteered in hospitals and took different classes. Each year the students come back to move on to the next level.

The camp includes enhancing basic knowledge in many subjects such as math, science, reading and computers. Williams said, "We even had one girl increase her math skills from basic math to trigonometry!" At the end of the week, there was an outstanding awards program where many of the students were recognized.

Campers from all over the area have dealt with the record heat all week, but they all managed to have fun and learn a lot. All the camps this summer at SIUE were a great success.

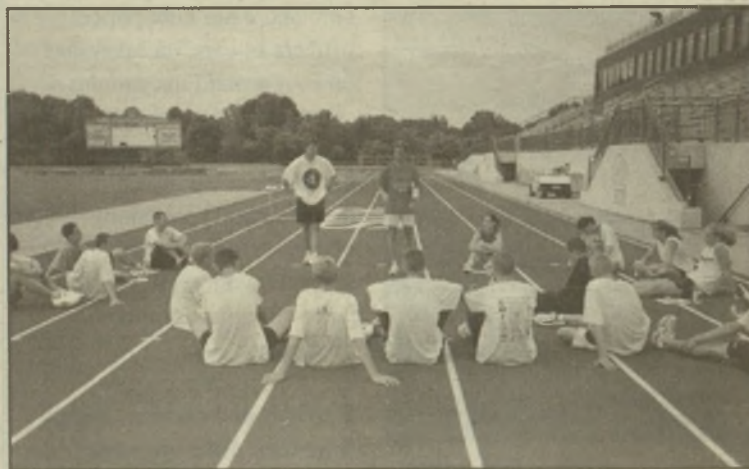


Photo by: Katie Calcaterra

Campers take a break from the heat while listening to Darryl Frerker (right), head track coach, and assistant coach Kenny Hammel (left).

THE MEN IN BLUE: ARE THEY DOING THEIR JOB?

by Tracey Bishop



Photo by Tracey Bishop

Ready on the job! SIUE Police officers Velton Evans and Sgt. Tim Penwell are always ready to help anyone out. They're always able to help, no matter if it is on foot, by bike or in a car.

Safety is a big issue in campus life today. Parking lots, campus police and construction are big factors in campus safety and how it's being managed.

Emergency phones. Escorts. Do these make you feel safer? Bill Anderson, a graduate student and student body president, said he feels safer with these precautions. Anderson will graduate in

August and feels that the campus keeps getting safer all the time. "The police force has increased significantly over the years," Anderson said.

Anderson noted that a survey taken in May 1997 showed that 98.3 percent of the students feel safe on the SIUE campus.

Advice from a police sergeant might make you feel safer. Sgt. Tim Penwell says that being aware of your surroundings and being cautious are the most important tips in keeping safe. "The increase in campus police has helped significantly in campus safety," Penwell said. Crime has decreased in the past year, and Penwell said he believes it has a lot to do with students being cautious. "Please call, have good communication and don't be afraid," Penwell said.

Heather Mueller and Kim Deppe, juniors at SIUE, said they feel that the campus is a pretty safe place, and the police are patrolling it very well. Mueller said she believes that the police are giving good advice in protecting students from crime. There are services to call that can escort you or help you in any way if needed," Mueller explained.

Deppe said the campus police are very proactive. She said she believes the police prevent crimes by always being alert. Deppe said she believes there are a few too many parking tickets handed out. For instance, she said, parking on the wrong lot for about 30 minutes and coming out to find a ticket on your windshield.

Anderson believes a problem is the parking lots being closed from time to time. "There are notices on campus, but most students just don't see them," Anderson said. "This is where the parking lots become a problem."

Ken Neher, vice chancellor for administration, said, "The police force is very good and crime has decreased 40 percent in the past year." Neher said he believes crime will continue to go down.

As with any large community, the SIUE campus does have problems. But as the police said, be aware of everything around you and you'll be fine.

CRIME

Working Towards Perfection

by Karen Lacy



Photo by Tracey Bishop

Just in case.

During a Journalism Camp break, Kat Poletti of Troy checked out an emergency phone on the campus of SIUE. The phones are handy for students who may find themselves in emergency situations.



Photo by Kat Poletti

Playing it safe!

Tracey Bishop of Troy waits her turn at a pedestrian crosswalk on the campus of SIUE. Bishop was a participant in the SIUE Journalism Camp, a program for area high school journalists.

According to the students at SIUE, our beloved Edwardsville campus is safe and thankfully boring. Safety is just one of the benefits of living in a small Illinois community. That does not make for an especially interesting news story, but at least it is reassuring.

Here are the facts about safety on the Edwardsville campus, from college students. The general opinion from the student body is that the SIUE police are a warning presence to anyone who may be stupid enough to commit a crime on a well-lit campus. The police force is not a frantic group busy with murders and robberies.

The SIUE police are mostly busy trying to protect us from the dangers of parking longer than the meter allows or dangerous people

driving just a little too fast so they will not miss class. Just ask the opinion of any student who has found a parking ticket slipped discreetly underneath a windshield wiper, or some poor soul who has just been pulled over for going an extreme 35 mph in a 30 mph zone.

SIUE is almost as perfect as can be, but not without its own slight criminal activity. Sgt. Tim Penwell of the SIUE police says that the crime rate has dropped almost 40 percent since last year. Penwell says that the decrease is because of the addition of 10 officers to the force, new well-lit parking lots and trails and emergency phones found all over campus.

There are now police officers in cars, on bikes and on foot around the campus.

Bill Anderson, Student Senate president, says that the police are a threat to deter crimes from taking place. He also says that the students work well with the police to report problems on campus.

Still there are a few thefts around campus, mostly from cars. Here are some practical tips for the vulnerable. Ken Neher, vice chancellor for administration at SIUE, tells students to keep things like CD players and cell phones out of view in their parked cars. This is so a bored thief will not be tempted. Never leave your belongings unattended, even for a minute. Students should travel in groups, especially at night, and stay away from possibly threatening situations.

Kim Deppe, a junior, says that most of the crime occurs in Cougar Village where cars stay overnight and are more vulnerable. She also says that police are doing the best that they can to keep the campus safe.

A survey of the students in May 1997 found that 98.3 percent feel safe on campus. For the other 1.7 percent, there are self defense classes and special groups on campus that anyone can join.

There is always going to be some crime because this is not a perfect world, but the SIUE police will not give up the fight.

IT MIGHT HAPPEN TO YOU

by Kat Poletti

On SIUE, crime doesn't seem to be a big problem. After a lot of digging, I found that SIUE seems pretty safe.

The people I interviewed said some of the problems come from people locking their keys in their cars, parking lots being too far away, cars being broken into and parking tickets. One student I talked to thinks that some of the problems aren't with the students on campus, but with outsiders.

Some members of Student Government claim that in order to lower crime, students need to get more involved with clubs and activities. Finance Board Chair for Student Government Heather Mueller said the student government is trying to increase involvement by helping with the funds to have guest speakers and festivals.

The students I interviewed say they feel safe on campus. They say the police force is to thank for that. Student Kim Deppe says the police are able to respond correctly to problems because they have been trained and are ready for any kind of situation.

Let's say you're out in the middle of a dark and deserted parking lot and you don't feel safe. No problem. You can go to a nearby emergency box and call for help. If you don't feel safe going out alone in the first place, call for a police escort. An officer will make sure that you get to your car or dorm safely.

Sgt. Tim Penwell says that more people are feeling safe on campus due to escorts, emergency boxes and just knowing that the police are around to ensure their safety. Students just need to cooperate and follow a few simple suggestions.

Some tips to consider:

- Travel in groups
- Park in a well-lit area
- Remove valuables from sight in cars (cell phones, purses, cd players, etc.)
- Don't drive drunk
- Be careful about who you let into your apartment
- If something doesn't feel right, it's not
- Call the police if you see someone lurking in the bushes or any suspicious place
- Don't put yourself in an awkward situation
- Learn to say no
- Attend safety classes or meetings

Remember, the police are there for you when you need them.

I Have My Mother's Thighs, And I Have To Accept That
by Heather Ferry

With commercials featuring comments like this, Kellogg's Special K cereal has introduced a "Reshape Your Attitude" campaign to let women know that there isn't an ideal height and weight for females.

Although many would like to be as thin as some women portrayed in the media today, weighing 115 pounds isn't necessary to be "beautiful."

Everyone's goal should be to become physically fit. After all, being fit leads to a more shapely body, whether it's a size 2 or 20. Women who have accepted this fact and their bodies are to be greatly admired.

Jamie Lannen, a lifeguard/supervisor at Cougar Lake Pool, points out that most women "inadvertently bring attention to their flaws by covering their stomachs with their hands or covering themselves with towels right away when they're in a bathing suit."

Katie VanHook, also a lifeguard at Cougar Lake Pool, admires the casting of Kate Winslet in the hit movie "Titanic." She says that for once a person of "normal size" was cast to play a beautiful woman.



Photo by Heather Ferry of Edwardsville

Taking The Plunge.

Practice makes perfect for 3-year-old Brian Lynch, a resident of Edwardsville, as he attends swim lessons at SIUE's Cougar Lake Pool. Unlike many teens and adults, Brian doesn't mind posing for picture in his bathing suit. His anxious look is due to his dislike of going underwater.

She also says, "It shouldn't matter what we look like, but how we feel about ourselves. Self-esteem is very important."

One Special K commercial features guys in a bar saying things like, "Do these pants make my butt look big?" Remarks like these are humiliatingly well known to most women around the world. One comment in the commercial gives fabulous advice. "I will not let my self-worth be determined by my dress size." Maybe television can teach us a thing or two after all.

MRF to be commemorated in March

by Alison Dreith

During the 1970s, sex, drugs and rock 'n' roll were not strangers at the Mississippi River Festival. Those days are gone, leaving only memories. But MRF fans will have a chance to flash back to those days when Southern Illinois University Edwardsville held the hundreds of music shows.

An exhibit celebrating the 30th anniversary of the MRF will be at the SIUE Campus Museum in the University Center. Photographs of the festival will be featured. The exhibit is set to open in March.

For nine years, SIUE entertained the world through the Mississippi River Festival. More than 300 acts captured more than 2 million hearts.

Many people remember what it was like and now share their memories with their children. They sometimes wonder why the concerts ever stopped.

"There really is no simple answer," Lyle Ward, assistant director of the University Center, said. "Reason one: the death of John Rendleman, second president of the university."

According to Ward, Rendleman was the spark behind the festival. Bad public perceptions along with the expenses were also major factors in the decision to stop the festival.

Still another reason was offered by Annice Brave, a University News Service reporter during MRF days. "It was tough for the university to handle a big concert promotion. It's better off handled by the private sector," Brave said.

Music at the MRF ranged from classical to rock. Ward recalled having the premiere conductors of the world at SIUE as some of the MRF's big attractions. But there were performances by Janis Joplin and The Eagles, who appeared more than once.

"One of the most dramatic things was when The Band's lead singer, Bob Dylan, made his first live performance after a car wreck, and appeared without anyone knowing he would be here," Ward said.

People interested in the history of rock 'n' roll, or just local history, are sure to appreciate the MRF 30th anniversary exhibit.

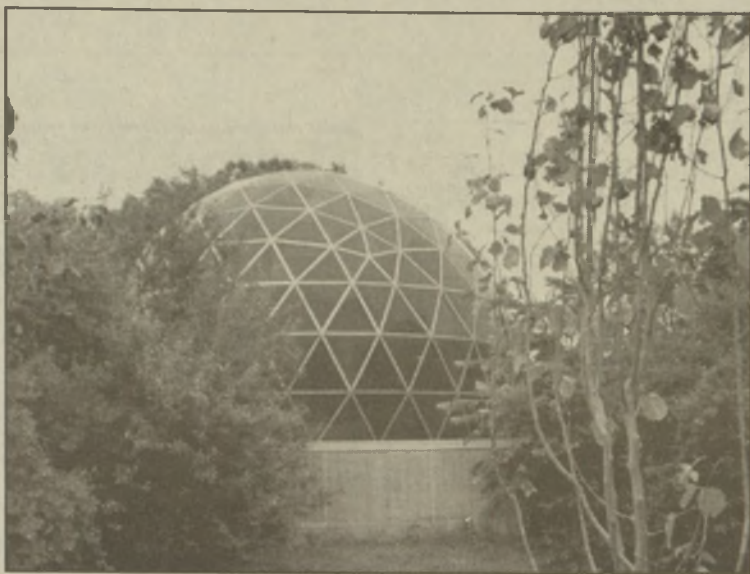
The Only One of Its Kind

by Gretchen Moore

Twenty-seven years ago, the idea of building a geodesic dome seemed improbable. R. Buckminster Fuller, a former SIUE faculty member, had the idea of building a globe that could be unfolded into one flat piece with no distortion. Even the Encyclopedia Britannica had said that feat was impossible. But, Fuller made the dome a reality when he built it on the SIUE campus.

The Religious Center that proudly displays Fuller's dome sits on the 19th western meridian line of longitude. All of the land masses appear on the huge globe except for Australia and the South Pole. But when looking at the transparent replica of the globe from the inside, something seems to be wrong with the shape of the continents. They're all backwards! This is most noticeable where the boot of Italy is found facing the right instead of the left.

Fuller received no funding from SIUE to build the



magnificent structure. All of the money was donated by local churches. So the Religious Center is not actually considered part of the SIUE campus, yet still remains closely related. It has, in turn, ended up to be a unique building on the grounds of the college.

The dome may be the most recognizable structure on campus, but the building below it is a significant help to many students. The Religious Center has more than 20 activities that people can take part in. Daily activities include worship

services, Bible studies, prayer time and social activities for students.

There are many rooms in the Religious Center. A full-sized kitchen is available to those students who wish to prepare a meal, but they are encouraged to wash the dishes when they are through. A study area is open for those who want some quiet time to take a nap or study (especially during finals week.) There are also meeting rooms, offices, prayer rooms and a library. The main room is also used for weddings, funerals, speakers and



church services.

The Religious Center is home to several ministries such as Catholic, Methodist, Presbyterian, Baptist and more. The ministers are often considered as close friends or a part of the family by those in need, according to the Rev. Bryan Manary, American Baptist campus minister.

"I love making a difference in young people's lives. Helping them with problems and issues is very satisfying," Manary said. "When I was a freshman, I was having some difficult times. I

Looking out on the world. The SIUE Religious Center is one of the most recognizable structures on the campus. R. Buckminster Fuller, creator of the building, built the geodesic dome with no financial support from SIUE. It has remained an attraction throughout its 27 years.

Catching the light.

The continents on the globe can be found on the inside of the geodesic dome. The sun is actually over the continent that it appears on over the globe. And at night, when the north star is over North America on the dome, it actually appears in the same spot in real life.

photo by Gretchen Moore of Belleville

got help, and from then on I knew that ministry was what God wanted for me."

R. Buckminster Fuller defeated all of the obstacles that stood in his way when he was trying to reach his dream of building his geodesic dome. And it seems that his attitude still lives in the hearts of the people who visit the Religious Center today, helping them overcome the obstacles of their everyday lives.

FAIR

by Mark Wonnacott

Hail, lords and ladies of the land. Seeketh thee entertainment medieval? Cometh then to the Renaissance Festival at Tower Lake Recreational Facility on the Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville campus. The fair opened July 25 and 26, and will occur again on August 1 and 2.

Produced by Aries Entertainment Group, the fair offers fun and education. Armored combat, in the style of medieval knights, is offered along with bards and minstrels singing the combatants' praises. Renaissance actors and actresses perform dramas of the age. The young nobles may be brought before the king and queen and dubbed Ladies in Waiting or Knights of the Round.

One of the calligraphers and medieval musicians, Ken Woods, or Gianetto Bello, as he prefers to be called, plays a wide variety of medieval instruments like recorders and the Rebec, which is a stringed instrument resembling a fiddle. He plays what he calls "Top 10 music from the late Medieval and early Renaissance." He also explains to his audience a bit about each of his instruments.

Woods' interest in times long gone was kindled in a Shakespeare class. He heard the line, "the clown sings." But Woods said, "No one seemed to know what he sang." Woods said that he wanted to know and began his study of long-ago lifestyles. He

even picked up the recorder so he could find out what this music sounded like.

This Renaissance Fair is a first at SIUE. Verna Atkins, the actress playing the queen at the festival, said, "First town shows are always more fun. They seem to have such a fresh, warm spirit."

Her beginning as a Renaissance actress was in Kansas in 1982. Her son, then a sophomore in high school, auditioned for a Renaissance festival. The whole family went along. Atkins said, "We didn't know what we were getting into. They liked our work and wouldn't let us leave until we had all auditioned. They put us in a shop selling T-shirts and such. I've worked my way up and played all the roles."

She has been playing the queen for the past five years at shows throughout the Midwest. One year she played a Spanish queen, who wore a lot of heavy velvet. The experience left her with some advice for others. As an actress who wears clothing meant for a much cooler climate, she gave several tips on how people can beat the heat. Drink plenty of water, sit in the shade whenever possible, stay away from fried or spicy foods, but be sure to eat. Atkins said that fruit, chicken, turkey or cheese are good, light fare.

For Renaissance Fair tickets or more information call (618)259-2145. Fare thee well, traveler, and may your way lead thee to our grandest of fairs.

Sports Camps

by Heather Ferry

SIUE sports camps give young athletes extensive coaching and training, as well as opportunities to learn new skills and participate in competitions.

Most camps take place in the Sam M. Vadalabene Center for Health, Recreation and Physical Education and the SIUE Olympic Festival Track and Field Stadium. Sports camps include baseball, softball, boys and girls basketball, cross country, track and field, soccer, tennis, volleyball and wrestling.

The Volleyball Individual Skills Camp went "wonderfully," Coach Sandy Montgomery said. 33 students between grades 6 and 12 attended the camp from July 20 through the 22.

Brochures on all the camps can be found on the campus in the Conferences and Institutes Office of the University Center. Although most camps are over for the summer, they will be offered again next year.

During the school year, students attending the college can choose from 15 different sports, according to Eric Hess, SIUE's sports information director. Hess said there are several hundred students participating in these sports each year. According to coaches and teachers, student participation in sports helps keep youngsters in school and out of trouble.



Out of the Ordinary

World-class boomerang throwers, (left to right) Lorenz Gubler, Manuel Schutz, Jurg Schedler, and Thomas Stehrenberger, don't play the average sport. These Swiss team members will be representing their country in the World Boomerang Championships on the campus of SIUE. Schutz is currently the world record holder for distance.

And Away We Go

As the World Boomerang Championships approach, Lorenz Gubler of the Swiss team practices on the soccer fields that will soon hold the competition. The championships started July 27 on the SIUE campus.

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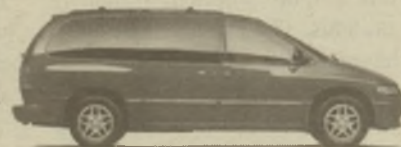
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